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INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

This publication contains statistics dealing with industrial accidents in Victoria, reported to the Government Statist during 1961-62, with comparative tables showing revised figures for 1959-60 and 1960-61.

In addition an Appendix has been included, and it will provide for the first time information concerning accidents occurring on journey to and from employment or during a recess period, as well as disease cases.

The statistics are based on data obtained from insurance companies which insure against workers' compensation, and from several organizations with approved workers' compensation schemes. The Workers Compensation Regulations require approved insurers (and schemes) to submit to the Government Statist a report on each claim for workers' compensation, when the claim is closed, or at the expiry of 3 years if the claim is unclosed at the end of that time. At present, the collection is restricted to fatal cases, and to those where the worker was incapacitated for work for a period of one week or more.

The method of collection used has imposed certain restrictions and qualifications on the resulting tables appearing in this bulletin. These should be carefully noted, and may be summarized as follows :-

- (a) Although the term "Industrial Accident" is used, the collection actually represents claims for workers' compensation, and is subject to the limitations expressed by the Workers Compensation Act.
- (b) The Act excludes from the definition of "Worker" any person employed whose remuneration exceeds £2,000 per annum. Although some employers do insure against liability for employees whose income exceeds that amount, it is not mandatory to do so, and consequently some employees in this category will not be included in the tabulations.
- (c) Commonwealth employees are excluded from the provisions of the Act, and consequently some industry classifications are not covered at all whilst coverage is reduced in some other instances (e.g., Defence Services and Communications).
- (d) Self-employed persons are likewise excluded and therefore industrial accidents occurring to them will not appear in the statistics. This is likely to have considerable effect when considering, for instance, rural industries.
- (e) The Act provides for compensation for injury arising on journey to or from employment, or during a recess period. Details of such claims have been excluded from the tables in the main body of this publication, but have been shown separately in the Appendix.
- (f) Disease claims have likewise been excluded from the main tables, and shown separately in the Appendix.

The tables listed in this bulletin are in the form of summary tables; tables under detailed headings for industry, accident factor, and nature of injury have been prepared, however, and the information shown in them is available on request.

Definitions, etc.

1. Industrial Accident. For the purpose of this collection, the following definition has been applied:- "An Industrial Accident is a compensated work injury causing death, permanent disability, or absence of the injured person from work for one week or more, excluding journey cases, cases occurring during a recess period, and all disease cases".
2. Industry Group. In Victoria, employers are rated for the purpose of workers' compensation premiums according to the type of business conducted, a premium being fixed for each "trade". For the purpose

of this bulletin, all employees, regardless of occupation, take the "trade" classification of their employer with the exception of clerical workers and domestics. When the list of "trades" was compiled by insurers, it was allied closely with the industry classification used for the 1947 Census. Accordingly, the industry groups shown in this bulletin approximate those used for Census purposes. However, as "Communication" employees are almost exclusively employed by the Commonwealth, and are consequently exempt from the provisions of the State Act, the remaining small numbers have been included with "Transport". Another variation is that "Finance" employees, whose work is normally of a clerical nature, have been included with "Other" industry together with clerical workers generally, who are subject to a special premium rate distinct from that charged for the industry in which they are employed. It should also be noted, that because of the very small numbers involved, tables in Part 2 (Females) include in the Industry Group "Other", figures relating to the Primary, Mining, Electricity, Building and Transport and Communication groups.

3. Accident Factor. The various accident factors considered have been listed in Tables 13 and 25. "Accident Factor" should not be interpreted as "Cause of Accident". In general it has been defined as "That underlying agency, other than human failing, which appears to contribute most materially to an accident, and which would be most likely to receive attention in efforts to prevent the occurrence of similar accidents".
4. Injury Site. In most cases the injury has been allocated to that part of the body affected by the injury. However, since effects of poisons, electrocutions, effects of weather etc., cannot be assigned in most cases to any particular site, they have been included in the heading "General and Unspecified".
5. Headings. For reasons of space it has been necessary to abbreviate many of the headings used, but detailed lists are available for inspection at this Office.

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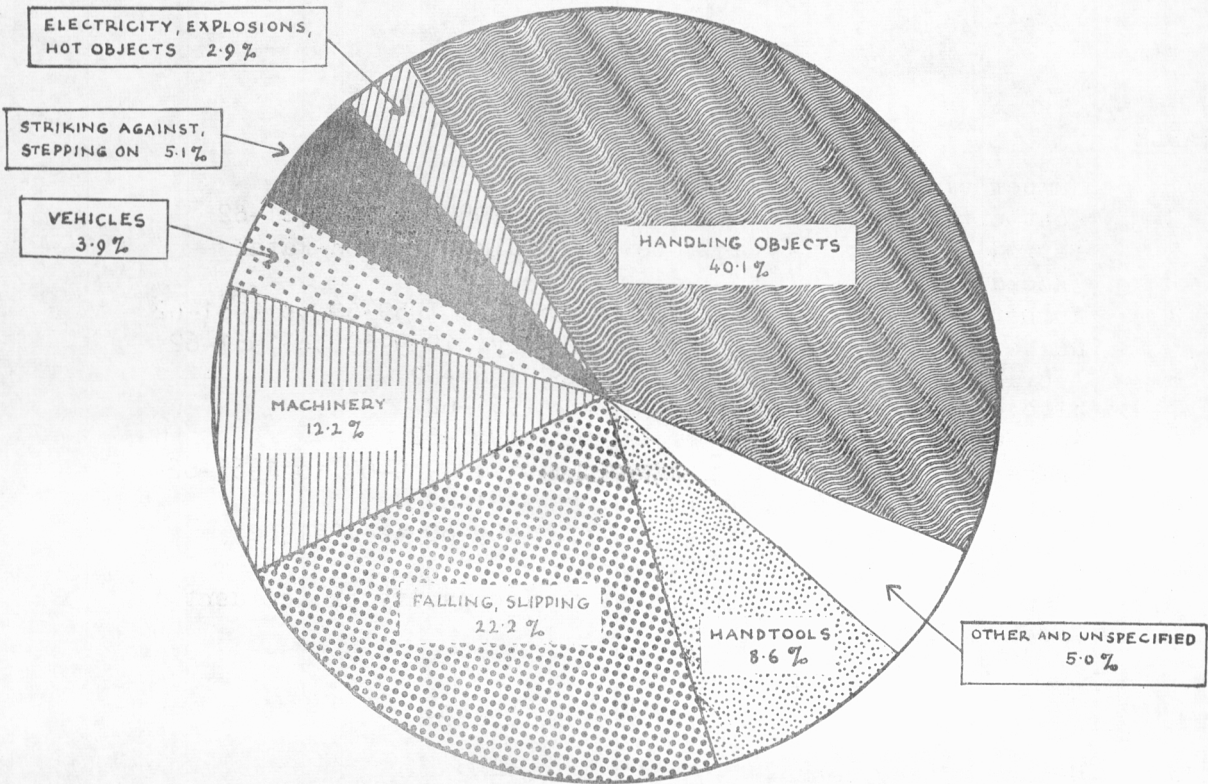
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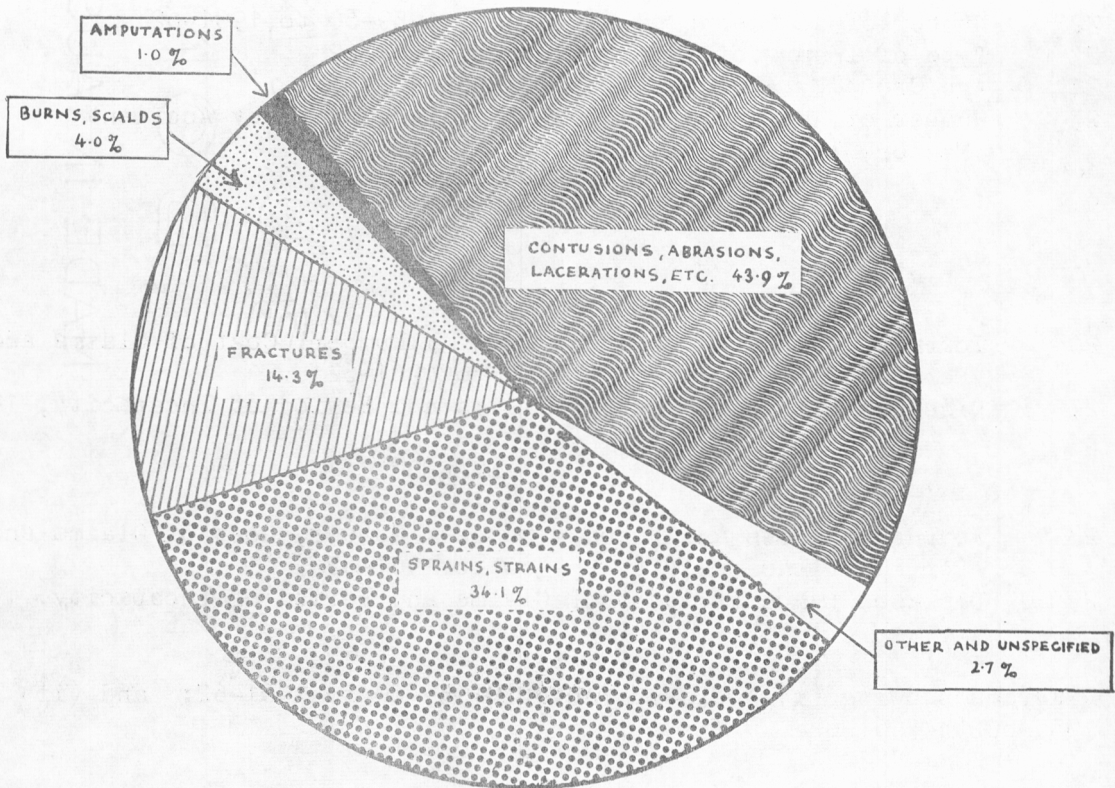
VICTORIA - INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

1959-60 TO 1961-62

ACCIDENT FACTOR



TYPE OF INJURY



PART 1 - MALES

TABLE 1

VICTORIA - MALES : NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS, 1959-60 TO 1961-62

Industry Group	Number of Accidents					
	Fatal			Non-Fatal		
	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62
Primary	7	5	8	1,889	1,894	1,992
Mining and Quarrying	3	1	1	260	266	285
Manufacturing	15	11	14	13,967	13,855	12,953
Electricity, Gas, Water, Sanitary	2	..	..	408	371	284
Building and Construction	8	5	9	4,104	4,210	3,947
Transport, Storage and Communication	5	7	9	1,701	1,909	1,847
Commerce	5	4	3	3,338	3,399	3,531
Community Services, &c.	2	4	1	1,218	1,244	1,352
Amusements, Personal Services, &c.	..	2	1	725	767	727
Govt., Semi-Govt., Finance and Other	16	17	19	5,209	5,094	4,629
Total	63	56	65	32,819	33,009	31,547

TABLE 2

VICTORIA - MALES : COST OF CLAIMS FOR FATAL
ACCIDENTS : 1959-60 TO 1961-62
(£)

Year	Cost of Claims	
	Total	Average Per Claim
1959-60	140,986	2,238
1960-61	130,099	2,323
1961-62	151,518	2,331

TABLE 3

VICTORIA - MALES : PERIOD OF INCAPACITY AND COST OF CLAIMS FOR NON-FATAL ACCIDENTS, 1959-60 TO 1961-62

Industry Group	Period of Incapacity (Weeks)						Cost of Claims					
	Total			Average Per Accident			Total (£'000)			Average Per Claim (£)		
	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62
Primary	9,775	8,030	8,986	5.2	4.2	4.5	205	182	200	108	96	101
Mining and Quarrying	1,334	1,145	1,116	5.1	4.3	3.9	45	37	37	173	139	130
Manufacturing	52,632	48,715	48,524	3.8	3.5	3.7	1,290	1,222	1,429	92	88	110
Electricity, Gas, Water, Sanitary	1,463	1,208	1,163	3.6	3.3	4.1	25	29	35	61	79	124
Building and Construction	17,228	15,030	16,448	4.2	3.6	4.2	442	399	459	108	95	116
Transport, Storage and Communication	6,384	6,345	7,158	3.8	3.3	3.9	129	122	167	76	64	91
Commerce	11,691	10,676	12,633	3.5	3.1	3.6	250	231	301	75	68	85
Community Services, &c.	4,832	4,743	5,229	4.0	3.8	3.9	96	103	109	79	83	81
Amusements, Personal Services, &c.	3,371	3,235	3,412	4.6	4.2	4.7	56	59	74	78	77	101
Govt., Semi-Govt., Finance and Other	19,677	18,761	19,925	3.8	3.7	4.3	436	403	537	84	79	116
Total	128,387	117,888	124,594	3.9	3.6	3.9	2,974	2,787	3,348	91	84	106

NOTE: Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 1 and 2.

TABLE 4

VICTORIA - MALES : NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS BY ACCIDENT FACTOR
1959-60 TO 1961-62

Accident Factor	1959-60		1960-61		1961-62	
	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF
Machinery	4	3,538	3	3,840	5	3,754
Vehicles	19	1,117	20	1,406	32	1,521
Electricity, Explosions, Hot Objects	9	930	6	994	10	755
Harmful Substances	..	193	1	172	1	178
Falling, Slipping	12	7,046	5	7,164	8	6,862
Striking against or Stepping on	..	1,609	..	1,619	..	1,512
Handling Objects	7	14,408	17	13,416	7	12,555
Handtools	..	2,842	..	2,876	1	2,935
Other and Unspecified	12	1,136	4	1,522	1	1,475
Total	63	32,819	56	33,009	65	31,547

TABLE 5

VICTORIA - MALES : NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS BY SITE OF INJURY
1959-60 TO 1961-62

Site of Injury	1959-60		1960-61		1961-62	
	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF
Head	11	1,046	16	1,087	25	1,037
Eye	..	736	..	769	..	776
Neck (Incl. Vertebral Column)	4	226	1	238	..	241
Trunk	8	8,619	12	8,841	4	8,469
Arm	..	3,927	..	3,816	..	3,654
Hand	1	9,420	..	9,146	..	8,710
Leg	..	5,339	1	5,449	1	5,311
Foot	..	3,391	..	3,477	..	3,225
General and Unspecified	39	115	26	186	35	124
Total	63	32,819	56	33,009	65	31,547

TABLE 6

VICTORIA - MALES : ACCIDENT FACTOR BY INDUSTRY GROUP, 1961-62

Accident Factor	Industry Group																					
	Primary		Mining and Quarrying		Manufacturing		Electricity, Gas, Water, Sanitary		Building and Construction		Transport, Storage and Communication		Commerce		Community Services, &c.		Amusements, Personal Services, &c.		Govt., Semi-Govt., Finance and Other		Total	
	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF
Machinery	..	208	..	30	4	2,541	..	9	1	288	..	71	..	258	..	60	..	39	..	250	5	3,754
Vehicles	2	152	..	28	4	281	..	23	1	103	9	154	1	223	..	114	..	23	15	420	32	1,521
Electricity, Explosions, Hot Objects	..	26	..	3	3	394	..	13	3	74	..	4	1	64	..	32	..	41	3	104	10	755
Harmful Substances	..	11	..	2	1	91	..	1	..	23	..	5	..	15	..	14	..	3	..	13	1	178
Falling, Slipping	..	370	..	39	2	2,136	..	82	2	1,088	..	578	1	727	1	375	1	163	1	1,304	8	6,862
Striking against or stepping on	..	93	..	5	..	623	..	14	..	227	..	80	..	171	..	71	..	33	..	195	..	1,512
Handling Objects	4	639	1	140	..	5,471	..	105	2	1,586	..	826	..	1,356	..	501	..	218	..	1,713	7	12,555
Handtools	1	243	..	31	..	1,008	..	28	..	432	..	76	..	601	..	132	..	39	..	345	1	2,935
Other and Unspecified	1	250	..	7	..	408	..	9	..	126	..	53	..	116	..	53	..	168	..	285	1	1,475
Total	8	1,992	1	285	14	12,953	..	284	9	3,947	9	1,847	3	3,531	1	1,352	1	727	19	4,629	65	31,547

F. Fatal NF. Non-Fatal.

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Accident factor is described in further detail in Table 13.

TABLE 7

VICTORIA - MALES : SITE OF INJURY BY INDUSTRY GROUP, 1961-62

Site of Injury	Industry Group																					
	Primary		Mining and Quarrying		Manu- facturing		Elect- ricity, Gas, Water, Sanitary		Building and Construc- tion		Transport, Storage, and Comm- unication		Commerce		Community Services, &c.		Amuse- ments, Personal Services, &c.		Govt., Semi- Govt., Finance and Other		Total	
F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	
Head	4	72	1	10	4	318	..	13	5	143	2	76	..	121	..	42	1	44	8	198	25	1,037
Eye	..	48	..	12	..	365	..	2	..	103	..	27	..	84	..	32	..	6	..	97	..	776
Neck (Incl. Vertebral Column)	..	18	..	1	..	80	..	..	..	44	..	20	..	31	..	8	..	8	..	31	..	241
Trunk	..	469	..	66	1	3,317	..	70	1	1,052	..	577	..	913	..	448	..	173	2	1,384	4	8,469
Arm	..	257	..	24	..	1,443	..	44	..	485	..	237	..	387	..	143	..	114	..	520	..	3,654
Hand	..	487	..	82	..	4,354	..	64	..	994	..	273	..	1,158	..	263	..	182	..	853	..	8,710
Leg	1	468	..	60	..	1,688	..	59	..	705	..	423	..	546	..	267	..	128	..	967	1	5,311
Foot	..	160	..	30	..	1,347	..	30	..	402	..	209	..	284	..	142	..	68	..	553	..	3,225
General and Unspecified	3	13	..	..	9	41	..	2	3	19	7	5	3	7	1	7	..	4	9	26	35	124
Total	8	1,992	1	285	14	12,953	..	284	9	3,947	9	1,847	3	3,531	1	1,352	1	727	19	4,629	65	31,547

TABLE 8

VICTORIA - MALES : ACCIDENT FACTOR BY SITE OF INJURY, 1961-62

Accident Factor	Site of Injury																		Total	
	Head		Eye		Neck(Incl. Vertebral Column)		Trunk		Arm		Hand		Leg		Foot		General and Unspecified			
	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF		
Machinery	4	93	..	203	..	12	..	244	..	334	..	2,489	..	201	..	176	1	2	5	3,754
Vehicles	9	194	..	10	..	25	2	255	..	243	..	316	..	285	..	184	21	9	32	1,521
Electricity, Explosions, Hot Objects	..	87	..	20	..	3	2	26	..	123	..	203	..	94	..	164	8	35	10	755
Harmful Substances	..	12	..	52	..	1	..	7	..	15	..	33	..	11	..	15	1	32	1	178
Falling, Slipping	5	186	..	6	..	93	..	1,914	..	1,077	..	432	..	2,781	..	368	3	5	8	6,862
Striking against or Stepping on	..	93	..	9	..	7	..	82	..	283	..	343	..	422	..	273	..	..	..	1,512
Handling Objects	6	236	..	194	..	75	..	5,231	..	1,060	..	2,988	..	997	..	1,772	1	2	7	12,555
Handtools	..	51	..	88	..	5	..	378	..	339	..	1,654	1	227	..	193	..	..	1	2,935
Other and Unspecified	1	85	..	194	..	20	..	332	..	180	..	252	..	293	..	80	..	39	1	1,475
Total	25	1,037	..	776	..	241	4	8,469	..	3,654	..	8,710	1	5,311	..	3,225	35	124	65	31,547

F. Fatal. NF. Non-Fatal.

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Accident factor is described in further detail in Table 13.

TABLE 9

**VICTORIA - MALES : NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS BY TYPE
OF INJURY, 1959-60 TO 1961-62**

Type of Injury	1959-60		1960-61		1961-62	
	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF
Contusions, Abrasions, Lacerations, Foreign Bodies, &c.	3	14,821	2	14,285	2	13,145
Burns and Scalds	4	1,223	2	1,318	6	1,132
Bone Fractures	9	4,612	13	4,614	12	5,046
Dislocations	1	308	..	274	..	274
Sprains and Strains	..	10,943	2	11,634	..	11,141
Amputations	..	433	..	330	..	258
Concussion	..	241	..	232	..	200
Enucleation of Eye	..	3	..	1	..	1
Internal Injury	4	58	8	79	2	113
Effects of Poisons	..	51	..	34	..	52
Effects of Electricity	3	20	4	61	5	34
Other and Unspecified	39	106	25	147	38	151
Total	63	32,819	56	33,009	65	31,547

TABLE 10

VICTORIA - MALES : TYPE OF INJURY BY INDUSTRY GROUP, 1961-62

Type of Injury	Industry Group																					
	Primary		Mining and Quarrying		Manu- facturing		Elect- ricity, Gas, Water, Sanitary		Building and Construc- tion		Transport, Storage and Comm- unication		Commerce		Community Services, &c.		Amuse- ments, Personal Services, &c.		Govt., Semi- Govt., Finance, and Other		Total	
	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF
Contusions, Abrasions, Lacerations, Foreign Bodies, &c.	1	916	..	122	..	5,642	..	104	..	1,638	..	664	..	1,630	..	487	1	241	..	1,701	2	13,145
Burns and Scalds	..	41	1	7	..	621	..	14	2	100	..	11	1	115	..	49	..	46	2	128	6	1,132
Bone Fractures	3	313	..	75	1	2,045	..	44	3	681	2	316	..	447	..	208	..	160	3	757	12	5,046
Dislocations	..	27	..	4	..	75	..	2	..	32	..	14	..	37	..	8	..	21	..	54	..	274
Sprains and Strains	..	633	..	73	..	4,211	..	111	..	1,411	..	806	..	1,215	..	572	..	231	..	1,878	..	11,141
Amputations	..	15	..	2	..	174	..	..	..	27	..	6	..	17	..	3	..	5	..	9	..	258
Concussion	..	19	..	1	..	53	..	2	..	20	..	17	..	29	..	4	..	12	..	43	..	200
Enucleation of Eye	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Internal Injury	..	9	..	..	1	39	..	3	..	7	..	5	..	19	..	8	..	4	1	19	2	113
Effects of Poisons	..	11	..	..	..	15	..	1	..	6	..	..	..	2	..	6	..	2	..	9	..	52
Effects of Electricity	..	1	..	..	3	15	..	1	1	6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	10	5	34
Other and Unspecified	4	7	..	1	9	62	..	2	3	19	7	8	2	19	1	7	..	5	12	21	38	151
Total	8	1,992	1	285	14	12,953	..	284	9	3,947	9	1,847	3	3,531	1	1,352	1	727	19	4,629	65	31,547

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TABLE 11

VICTORIA - MALES : NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS BY AGE GROUP,
1959-60 TO 1961-62

Age Group (Years)	1959-60		1960-61		1961-62	
	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF
Under 20	6	2,552	2	2,673	5	2,638
20 - 29	10	8,174	16	8,294	13	7,611
30 - 39	14	8,553	9	8,594	18	8,357
40 - 49	11	7,015	13	6,900	15	6,594
50 - 59	9	4,693	13	4,740	9	4,555
60 and over	13	1,832	3	1,808	5	1,792
Total	63	32,819	56	33,009	65	31,547

TABLE 12

VICTORIA - MALES : AGE GROUP BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1961-62

Age Group (Years)	Accident Factor																			
	Machinery		Vehicles		Electricity, Explosions, Hot Objects		Harmful Substances		Falling, Slipping		Striking against or Stepping on		Handling Objects		Handtools		Other and Unspecified		Total	
	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF	F	NF
Under 20	1	489	2	134	1	86	1	21	..	464	..	134	..	820	..	352	..	138	5	2,638
20 - 29	1	973	8	415	3	215	..	40	..	1,436	..	367	1	2,878	..	898	..	389	13	7,611
30 - 39	1	918	10	408	3	227	..	41	1	1,809	..	399	2	3,473	1	719	..	363	18	8,357
40 - 49	2	708	7	303	1	121	..	36	2	1,511	..	307	2	2,762	..	538	1	308	15	6,594
50 - 59	..	488	2	181	2	68	..	31	3	1,111	..	218	2	1,923	..	330	..	205	9	4,555
60 and over	..	178	3	80	..	38	..	9	2	531	..	87	..	699	..	98	..	72	5	1,792
Total	5	3,754	32	1,521	10	755	1	178	8	6,862	..	1,512	7	12,555	1	2,935	1	1,475	65	31,547

F. Fatal. NF. Non-Fatal.

NOTE: Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 1 and 2.
Accident factor is described in further detail in Table 13.

VICTORIA - MALES : NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY
BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1961-62

Accident Factor	F	N.F.		Accident Factor	F	N.F.	
	No.	No.	Period of Incapacity weeks		No.	No.	Period of Incapacity weeks
MACHINERY				VEHICLES			
Engines	..	1	9.2	Motor Vehicles	22	822	4,087.8
Pumps	..	19	112.2	Trams	..	16	117.0
Ropes, Belts	..	90	346.0	Rly. Locos.	2	84	320.4
Shafting	..	3	19.4	Mine and Quarry Trucks	..	73	448.8
Gears	..	2	5.8	Bicycles	..	54	222.0
Other Mech. Power	..	1	3.0	Aircraft	2	5	29.0
Hoists, Cranes	2	239	1,542.2	Water Transport	1	5	37.6
Other Lifting Appl.	..	24	481.0	Animal Drawn Vehicles	..	13	58.2
Lifts	..	48	315.2	Mobile Cranes	..	38	158.4
Conveyors	1	109	454.8	Forklift Trucks	1	80	382.8
Abrasive Grinding, Polishing	..	338	823.6	Tractors	1	138	709.2
Agitators, Mixers	..	117	681.2	Bulldozers, Earth-Working Machines	3	142	702.2
Casting, Welding	..	228	687.2	Other Mobile Machinery	..	46	151.2
Crushers	..	43	180.8	Other Vehicles	..	5	19.6
Drilling, Turning (Metal)	..	307	961.6	Total Vehicles	32	1,521	7,444.2
Drilling (Other)	..	21	68.8	ELECTRICITY, EXPLOSIONS, HOT OBJECTS			
Milling	..	34	97.8	Portable Machines, Appliances	2	16	45.6
Planers (Wood)	..	220	956.6	Switchgear, Fusegear	1	13	33.6
Planers (Other)	1	37	116.2	Electric Supply Wire	1	16	73.6
Packing	..	37	157.6	Other Elec.	1	8	40.2
Opening, Carding	..	21	138.2	Blasting Explosions	..	5	197.4
Presses (Metal)	..	230	1,027.0	Boilers	1	6	33.4
Presses (Printing)	..	34	101.0	Gas	..	6	9.6
Presses (Other)	..	149	719.2	Other Explosions	2	62	230.4
Rolls	..	129	618.4	Flames and Hot Objects	2	623	1,896.0
Saws, Circular (Wood)	..	174	859.0	Total Electricity, Explosions, Hot Objects	10	755	2,559.8
Saws, Other (Wood)	..	246	1,216.2	HARMFUL SUBSTANCES			
Saws (Metal)	..	24	80.8	Solids, Powders	..	32	59.4
Saws (Other)	..	16	65.4	Gas, Aerosols	1	26	88.2
Screening	..	1	5.2	Liquids	..	120	336.2
Sewing	..	11	24.6	Total Harmful Substances	1	178	483.8
Shears (Metal)	..	57	196.2	FALLING, SLIPPING, ON OR FROM:-			
Shears (Paper)	..	22	71.2	Ladders	2	501	3,026.8
Shears (Other)	1	29	127.2	Poles	..	1	4.0
Rotary Cutters	..	37	88.2	Roofs	1	88	540.8
Cutters (Food)	..	79	327.0	Scaffolding	..	180	1,139.6
Spinning, Weaving, Knitting	..	72	318.8	Stairs or Steps	..	520	2,544.8
Centrifuges	..	3	9.4	Top or Tray of Vehicle	..	365	1,727.6
Other Industrial	..	191	915.4	Other Elevations	3	647	3,557.0
Milking, Shearing	..	74	210.4	Into Excavations	..	150	883.0
Farm Implements	..	38	176.0	Jumping, Stepping Down	..	623	2,500.6
Farm Equipment	..	6	16.2	Slipping, etc. Same Level	2	3,787	15,890.8
Other Machinery	..	93	446.6	Total Falling, Slipping	8	6,862	31,815.0
Total Machinery	5	3,754	15,777.8				

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**VICTORIA - MALES : NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY
BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1961-62**

Accident Factor	F	N.F.		Accident Factor	F	N.F.	
	No.	No.	Period of Incapacity weeks		No.	No.	Period of Incapacity weeks
<u>STRIKING AGAINST OR STEPPING ON</u>				<u>HANDTOOLS (cont.)</u>			
Stepping on Sharp Objects	..	218	387.8	Pliers, Pincers	..	9	51.2
Striking Against	..	1,294	3,882.0	Saws	..	70	211.8
Total Striking Against or	..	1,512	4,269.8	Scissors, Shears	..	29	101.8
Stepping on				Screwdrivers	..	36	54.4
<u>HANDLING OBJECTS</u>				Shovels, Spades	..	219	741.8
Strain in Handling	..	5,791	23,717.2	Spanners	..	173	515.0
Struck by, etc.				Other Hand- operated	..	153	471.2
Trees, Limbs, Logs	4	264	2,184.4	<u>Power-Operated</u>			
Poles	..	25	113.4	Abrasive Grinding,			
Other Timber	..	721	2,745.6	Polishing	..	66	177.6
Drums and Barrels	..	278	837.4	Chisels	..	1	3.0
Boxes and Crates	..	373	1,447.6	Drills	..	164	615.8
Bricks	..	107	334.0	Knives	..	3	4.6
Earth, Rock, Sand	2	258	1,304.4	Riveters	..	1	1.4
Hand Trucks, etc.	..	177	498.4	Saws	..	64	439.6
Other Objects	1	3,072	11,410.2	Soldering Irons	..	4	4.8
<u>Handling Sharp Objects</u>				Explosive Powered	..	10	58.2
Metal	..	650	1,351.6	Other Power- operated	..	118	234.2
Glass	..	165	383.4	Total Handtools	1	2,935	8,721.0
Other Sharp Obj.	..	661	1,353.8	<u>OTHER</u>			
<u>Handling Other</u>	..	13	47.0	Animals and			
Total Handling Objects	7	12,555	47,728.4	Insects	..	413	2,190.8
<u>HANDTOOLS</u>				Cold	..	1	3.2
<u>Hand-Operated</u>				Exposure to			
Axes	..	171	574.4	Weather	..	5	16.2
Blowtorches	..	1	1.0	Heat	..	13	56.4
Can Openers	..	1	1.2	Radiation	..	3	3.8
Cleavers, and				Pressure Vessels			
Choppers	..	28	170.4	etc. Bursting	..	57	98.8
Chisels	..	51	113.6	Doors, Windows	..	196	666.2
Crowbars	..	128	484.6	Flying Particles,			
Files	..	12	30.0	Dust	..	181	419.2
Hammers	1	391	1,210.0	Other and			
Hooks	..	126	342.2	Unspecified	1	606	2,339.4
Knives	..	799	1,757.8	Total Other	1	1,475	5,794.0
Needles	..	15	45.0				
Pens or Pencils	..	3	15.2	GRAND TOTAL	65	31,547	124,593.8
Picks, Pick Axes, and Hoes	..	89	289.2				

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TABLE 14

VICTORIA - FEMALES : NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS, 1959-60 TO 1961-62

Industry Group	Number of Non-Fatal Accidents		
	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62
Manufacturing	1,676	1,761	1,544
Commerce	401	473	471
Community Services, &c.	468	443	499
Amusements, Personal Services, &c.	455	516	480
Other, Incl.Govt. and Semi-Govt.	531	557	522
Total	3,531	3,750	3,516

NOTE: One fatal accident was reported in 1960-61.

TABLE 15

VICTORIA - FEMALES : PERIOD OF INCAPACITY AND COST OF CLAIMS FOR NON-FATAL ACCIDENTS, 1959-60 TO 1961-62

Industry Group	Period of Incapacity (Weeks)						Cost of Claims					
	Total			Average per Accident			Total (£'000)			Average per Claim (£)		
	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62
Manufacturing	5,641	5,604	5,487	3.4	3.2	3.6	109	106	112	65	61	73
Commerce	1,338	1,304	2,025	3.3	2.8	4.3	19	22	36	48	47	76
Community Services, &c.	1,807	1,931	2,489	3.9	4.4	5.0	38	35	47	81	79	94
Amusements, Personal Services, &c.	2,111	2,412	2,378	4.6	4.7	5.0	31	40	34	68	78	72
Other, Incl.Govt. and Semi-Govt.	2,334	2,277	2,507	4.4	4.1	4.8	40	39	48	76	70	92
Total	13,231	13,528	14,886	3.8	3.6	4.2	237	242	277	67	65	79

NOTE: Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 1 and 2.

TABLE 16

VICTORIA - FEMALES : NUMBER OF
ACCIDENTS BY ACCIDENT FACTOR,
1959-60 TO 1961-62

Accident Factor	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62
Machinery	642	734	665
Vehicles	36	53	50
Electricity, Explosions, Hot Objects	169	145	169
Harmful Substances	17	21	14
Falling, Slipping	977	1,074	924
Striking Against or Stepping On	262	289	282
Handling Objects	1,071	997	945
Handtools	201	204	221
Other & Unspecified	156	233	246
Total	3,531	3,750	3,516

TABLE 17

VICTORIA - FEMALES : NUMBER OF
ACCIDENTS BY SITE OF INJURY,
1959-60 TO 1961-62

Site of Injury	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62
Head	111	121	112
Eye	37	40	31
Neck (Incl. Vertebral Column)	29	40	41
Trunk	572	594	585
Arm	585	615	617
Hand	1,346	1,358	1,220
Leg	596	664	633
Foot	239	286	260
General and Unspecified	16	32	17
Total	3,531	3,750	3,516

TABLE 18

VICTORIA - FEMALES : ACCIDENT FACTOR BY
INDUSTRY GROUP, 1961-62

Accident Factor	Industry Group					Total
	Manu- facturing	Commerce	Community Services, &c.	Amuse- ments, Personal Services, &c.	Other, Incl. Govt. and Semi-Govt.	
Machinery	495	67	23	50	30	665
Vehicles	15	6	6	3	20	50
Electricity, Explosions, Hot Objects	42	12	42	58	15	169
Harmful Substances	7	..	4	1	2	14
Falling, Slipping	259	129	155	149	232	924
Striking Against or Stepping On	138	51	22	43	28	282
Handling Objects	407	141	180	113	104	945
Handtools	103	37	19	40	22	221
Other & Unspecified	78	28	48	23	69	246
Total	1,544	471	499	480	522	3,516

TABLE 19

VICTORIA - FEMALES : SITE OF INJURY BY
INDUSTRY GROUP, 1961-62

Site of Injury	Industry Group					Total
	Manu- facturing	Commerce	Community Services, &c.	Amuse- ments, Personal Services, &c.	Other, Incl. Govt. and Semi-Govt.	
Head	27	25	19	20	21	112
Eye	20	2	2	4	3	31
Neck (Incl. Vertebral Column)	10	5	9	2	15	41
Trunk	215	72	121	73	104	585
Arm	267	72	95	88	95	617
Hand	682	156	123	153	106	1,220
Leg	226	84	97	97	129	633
Foot	91	51	32	40	46	260
General and Unspecified	6	4	1	3	3	17
Total	1,544	471	499	480	522	3,516

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Accident factor is described in further detail in Table 25.

TABLE 20

VICTORIA - FEMALES : ACCIDENT FACTOR BY
SITE OF INJURY, 1961-62

Accident Factor	Site of Injury									Total
	Head	Eye	Neck (Incl. Verte- bral Column)	Trunk	Arm	Hand	Leg	Foot	Gen- eral and Unspe- cified	
Machinery	7	7	1	24	72	527	20	7	..	665
Vehicles	7	..	2	8	10	7	14	2	..	50
Electricity, Explosions, Hot Objects	10	..	1	6	48	48	24	27	5	169
Harmful Substances	2	..	..	..	4	4	..	..	4	14
Falling, Slipping	48	1	24	185	199	39	365	60	3	924
Striking Against or Stepping On	10	..	..	11	53	56	111	41	..	282
Handling Objects	16	9	9	288	181	281	63	98	..	945
Handtools	1	1	1	4	14	184	7	9	..	221
Other and Unspecified	11	13	3	59	36	74	29	16	5	246
Total	112	31	41	585	617	1,220	633	260	17	3,516

TABLE 21

VICTORIA - FEMALES : NUMBER OF
ACCIDENTS BY TYPE OF INJURY,
1959-60 TO 1961-62

Type of Injury	1959- 60	1960- 61	1961- 62
Contusions, Abrasions, Lacerations, Foreign Bodies, &c.	1,820	1,866	1,655
Burns and Scalds	201	173	194
Bone Fractures	381	400	423
Dislocations	28	19	38
Sprains and Strains	994	1,171	1,092
Amputations	31	21	28
Concussion	42	50	42
Internal Injury	3	5	1
Effects of Poisons	3	8	8
Effects of Electricity	4	10	5
Other and Unspecified	24	27	30
Total	3,531	3,750	3,516

TABLE 22

VICTORIA - FEMALES : NUMBER OF
ACCIDENTS BY AGE GROUP,
1959-60 TO 1961-62

Age Group (Years)	1959- 60	1960- 61	1961- 62
Under 20	532	493	457
20 - 29	869	881	752
30 - 39	884	904	908
40 - 49	725	864	827
50 - 59	405	489	452
60 and over	116	119	120
Total	3,531	3,750	3,516

TABLE 23

VICTORIA - FEMALES : TYPE OF INJURY BY
INDUSTRY GROUP, 1961-62

Type of Injury	Industry Group					Total
	Manu- facturing	Commerce	Community Services, &c.	Amuse- ments, Personal Services, &c.	Other, Incl. Govt. and Semi-Govt.	
Contusions, Abrasions, Lacerations, Foreign Bodies, &c.	812	248	166	221	208	1,655
Burns and Scalds	52	13	47	65	17	194
Bone Fractures	166	51	66	61	79	423
Dislocations	12	6	7	2	11	38
Sprains and Strains	458	129	200	121	184	1,092
Amputations	20	4	2	..	2	28
Concussion	10	11	6	5	10	42
Internal Injury	..	1	..	..	..	1
Effects of Poisons	4	..	..	1	3	8
Effects of Electricity	2	1	..	2	..	5
Other and Unspecified	8	7	5	2	8	30
Total	1,544	471	499	480	522	3,516

NOTE: Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on
pages 1 and 2.
Accident factor is described in further detail in Table 25.

**VICTORIA - FEMALES : AGE GROUP BY ACCIDENT
FACTOR, 1961-62**

Age Group (Years)	Accident Factor									
	Mach- inery	Vehi- cles	Elec- tricity, Explo- sions, Hot Objects	Harm- ful Sub- stances	Falling, Slipping	Striking Against, or Stepping On	Hand- ling Objects	Hand- tools	Unspe- cified	Total
Under 20	113	10	21	3	101	35	99	25	50	457
20 - 29	179	17	40	7	151	52	209	52	45	752
30 - 39	176	9	39	2	191	76	287	64	64	908
40 - 49	149	9	42	2	217	65	238	49	56	827
50 - 59	39	4	23	..	192	42	98	26	28	452
60 & over	9	1	4	..	72	12	14	5	3	120
Total	665	50	169	14	924	282	945	221	246	3,516

TABLE 25

**VICTORIA - FEMALES : NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY
BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1961-62**

Accident Factor	No.	Period of Incapacity (Weeks)	Accident Factor	No.	Period of Incapacity (Weeks)
<u>MACHINERY</u>			<u>VEHICLES</u>		
Ropes, Belts	7	30.8	Motor Vehicles	29	168.4
Hoists	1	1.6	Trams	4	15.0
Lifts	4	7.4	Rly. Locos.	3	8.8
Conveyors	17	45.4	Bicycles	7	18.4
Abrasive Grinding,			Forklift Trucks	5	18.0
Polishing	12	36.6	Tractors	2	8.8
Agitators and Mixers	12	72.4	Total Vehicles	50	237.4
Casting, Welding	8	28.4	<u>ELECTRICITY, EXPLOSIONS,</u>		
Crushers	2	4.8	<u>HOT OBJECTS</u>		
Drilling, Turning(Metal)	20	140.4	Portable Machines,		
Drilling, Turning(Other)	2	4.2	Appliances	5	48.4
Milling	2	15.2	Switchgear, Fusegear	1	1.8
Planers (Wood)	2	3.0	Gas Explosions	6	17.8
Planers (Other)	3	16.6	Other Explosions	5	15.4
Packing	38	193.0	Flames & Hot Objects	152	464.8
Opening, Carding	2	2.8	Total Electricity,		
Presses (Metal)	66	312.0	Explosions, Hot Objects	169	548.2
Presses (Printing)	9	60.2	<u>HARMFUL SUBSTANCES</u>		
Presses (Other)	90	285.2	Solids, Powders	1	3.4
Rolls	18	53.8	Gas and Aerosols	5	7.6
Sewing	85	191.2	Liquids	8	15.6
Shears (Metal)	4	6.8	Total Harmful Substances	14	26.6
Shears (Paper)	2	3.2	<u>FALLING, SLIPPING -</u>		
Shears (Other)	11	43.8	On or From:-		
Rotary Cutters	30	85.0	Ladders	30	219.0
Cutters (Food)	83	225.0	Stairs, Steps	204	971.6
Spinning, Weaving,			Top or Tray of Vehicle	2	46.4
Knitting	59	219.0	Other Elevations	49	231.6
Other Industrial	57	317.2	Into Excavations	1	50.8
Farm Implements	2	18.4	Jumping, Stepping Down	13	71.6
Other Machinery	17	116.2	Slipping, etc.Same Level	625	4,136.4
Total Machinery	665	2,539.6	Total Falling, Slipping	924	5,727.4

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VICTORIA - FEMALES : NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY
BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1961-62

Accident Factor	No.	Period of Incapacity (Weeks)	Accident Factor	No.	Period of Incapacity (Weeks)
<u>STRIKING AGAINST OR STEPPING ON</u>			<u>HANDTOOLS (Cont.)</u>		
Stepping on Sharp Objects	16	82.4	Pliers, Pincers	2	2.8
Striking Against	266	1,166.8	Saws	3	4.8
Total Striking Against or Stepping On	282	1,249.2	Scissors, Shears	26	100.2
			Screwdrivers	2	5.0
			Shovels	2	2.6
			Spanners	1	1.0
			Other Hand Operated	15	30.8
<u>HANDLING OBJECTS</u>			<u>Power Operated</u>		
Strain in Handling Stuck by, etc.	475	1,967.6	Abrasive Grinding,		
Trees, Limbs, Logs	1	2.4	Polishing	3	3.8
Poles	1	1.6	Drills	2	6.4
Other Timber	9	62.6	Knives	1	1.0
Drums and Barrels	8	13.8	Saws	1	1.0
Boxes and Crates	32	94.4	Soldering Irons	2	3.8
Earth, Rock, Sand	1	1.0	Explosive Powered	1	6.6
Hand Trucks, etc.	18	63.8	Other Power Operated	2	12.4
Other Objects	169	517.2	Total Handtools	221	518.0
<u>Handling Sharp Obj.</u>			<u>OTHER</u>		
Metal	82	186.2	Animals and Insects	22	71.6
Glass	47	88.0	Cold	1	4.6
Other Sharp Objects	100	203.8	Heat	2	5.8
<u>Handling, Other</u>	2	3.0	Pressure Vessels, etc.,		
Total Handling Objects	945	3,205.4	Bursting	4	16.0
			Doors, Windows	71	227.8
<u>HANDTOOLS</u>			Flying Particles, Dust	11	21.4
<u>Hand-operated</u>			Other and Unspecified	135	487.4
Axes	2	3.2	Total Other	246	834.6
Can Openers	5	11.0			
Cleavers, Choppers	4	16.8	GRAND TOTAL	3,516	14,886.4
Files	1	1.0			
Hammers	1	19.0			
Hooks	1	1.4			
Knives	105	211.0			
Needles	39	72.4			

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As stated in the introductory notes on page 1, the Bulletin is primarily intended to provide information concerning industrial accidents, and, accordingly, details of claims arising on journey to or from employment, during a recess period, or from diseases, have been excluded from the foregoing tables.

However, these cases are of interest in their own right and this Appendix is therefore provided to show certain basic details about them.

TABLE 26

VICTORIA - MALES : JOURNEY, RECESS AND DISEASE CASES :
NUMBER, COST OF CLAIMS AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY, 1959-60 TO 1961-62

Year	Type of Case	Fatal		Non-Fatal		
		Number	Cost of Claims (£)	Number	Cost of Claims (£)	Period of Incapacity (Weeks)
1959-60	Journey and Recess -					
	Accidents	23	36,543	1,930	206,473	10,776
	Diseases	61	127,784	124	39,364	1,389
	Other Diseases	270	575,621	4,315	765,071	37,712
1960-61	Journey and Recess -					
	Accidents	20	36,485	1,976	169,691	9,371
	Diseases	60	133,623	134	35,624	1,665
	Other Diseases	270	586,026	4,075	633,510	28,446
1961-62	Journey and Recess -					
	Accidents	23	41,391	1,870	200,370	10,383
	Diseases	63	133,288	133	46,865	1,708
	Other Diseases	312	678,879	3,928	874,111	35,859

TABLE 27

VICTORIA - MALES : DISEASES : NUMBER, COST OF CLAIMS
AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY, 1961-62

Disease	Fatal		Non-Fatal		
	No.	Cost of Claims (£)	No.	Cost of Claims (£)	Period of Incapacity (Weeks)
Infective and Parasitic Diseases	2	4,457	48	6,971	345.0
Neoplasms	2	2,306	14	3,098	187.4
Allergic, Endocrine System, Metabolic and Nutritional Diseases	1	2,231	27	5,808	244.4
Mental Disorders	..	..	40	7,173	308.6
Cerebral Haemorrhage, etc.	34	71,656	66	63,668	2,548.4
Diseases of Eye	..	..	112	18,457	501.6
Diseases of Ear	..	..	13	6,936	190.6
Other Diseases of Nervous System	5	15,200	88	24,917	968.0
Arteriosclerotic and Degenerative Heart Disease	282	608,036	469	288,591	12,694.4
Other Diseases of Heart	29	62,617	66	47,369	1,560.2
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	10	23,882	71	14,552	526.6
Pneumonia	3	5,322	44	8,455	246.4
Other Respiratory Diseases	3	7,374	84	30,056	1,637.4
Diseases of Digestive System	3	6,712	286	40,543	1,560.6
Diseases of Genito-Urinary System	..	..	43	5,731	246.2
Cellulitis	..	..	159	6,197	372.4
Dermatitis	..	..	589	39,585	2,247.6
Other Diseases of Skin and Cellular Tissue	..	..	193	10,970	599.4
Displacement of Intervertebral Disc	..	..	577	162,131	5,329.8
Synovitis, Bursitis	..	..	657	42,525	2,346.4
Other Diseases of Bones and Organs of Movement	..	..	256	63,934	2,015.4
Chronic Poisoning and Other Reactions	..	..	38	11,490	434.2
Other Diseases, incl. Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions	1	2,374	121	11,819	455.4
Total	375	812,167	4,061	920,976	37,566.4

VICTORIA - FEMALES : JOURNEY, RECESS AND DISEASE CASES :
NUMBER, COST OF CLAIMS AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY, 1959-60 TO 1961-62

Year	Type of Case	Fatal		Non-Fatal		
		Number	Cost of Claims (£)	Number	Cost of Claims (£)	Period of Incapacity (Weeks)
1959-60	Journey and Recess -					
	Accidents	2	3,018	794	51,635	3,864
	Diseases	1	671	32	5,458	239
	Other Diseases	6	7,427	1,037	101,292	6,378
1960-61	Journey and Recess -					
	Accidents	3	6,694	855	48,608	3,276
	Diseases	2	142	52	9,763	415
	Other Diseases	4	1,961	978	95,675	5,762
1961-62	Journey and Recess -					
	Accidents	3	3,628	865	69,707	4,002
	Diseases	1	302	26	4,695	280
	Other Diseases	9	4,873	999	108,877	5,678

TABLE 29

VICTORIA - FEMALES : DISEASES : NUMBER, COST OF CLAIMS
AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY, 1961-62

Disease	Fatal		Non-Fatal		
	Number	Cost of Claims (£)	Number	Cost of Claims (£)	Period of Incapacity (Weeks)
Infective and Parasitic Diseases	89	5,487	484.4
Neoplasms	1	189	5	1,874	40.6
Allergic, Endocrine System, Metabolic and Nutritional Diseases	6	353	18.0
Mental Disorders	12	682	56.2
Cerebral Haemorrhage, etc.	4	1,612	9	9,402	347.4
Diseases of Eye	8	989	62.4
Diseases of Ear	2	89	8.6
Other Diseases of Nervous System	14	4,239	89.6
Arteriosclerotic and Degenerative Heart Disease	5	3,374	21	4,726	301.8
Other Diseases of Heart	2	518	47.4
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	21	4,602	219.2
Pneumonia	6	704	66.0
Other Respiratory Diseases	11	2,066	92.8
Diseases of Digestive System	75	6,638	301.2
Diseases of Genito-Urinary System	4	2,120	25.2
Cellulitis	58	1,783	141.4
Dermatitis	233	14,208	954.6
Other Diseases of Skin and Cellular Tissue	91	4,333	305.0
Displacement of Intervertebral Disc	62	18,379	769.8
Synovitis, Bursitis	232	20,777	1,199.2
Other Diseases of Bones and Organs of Movement	42	8,547	354.6
Chronic Poisoning and Other Reactions	6	373	26.8
Other Diseases, incl. Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions	16	683	45.8
Total	10	5,175	1,025	113,572	5,958.0

